

Kings Arms-York-9.1.2016

JOLLY BOYS VISIT TO YORK-THURSDAY 12TH MAY 2016

We last did York on 12th January 2012 (apart from the aborted trip to Newcastle a year later!). Before that it was 15th October 2009.

A lot has changed in the pub scene, mainly new real ale outlets. It's more a case now of where not to visit rather than how many real ale pubs are there to do.

York was badly affected by the floods over Christmas, particularly the lower end of the City on the River Foss, due to the flood barrier being left up to avoid it jamming in the down position if the rising water had reached the electrics. There is still a lot of debate going on as to why the decision had to be taken!

The City has more or less recovered but a lot of homes and shops are still being dried out. But since the worst of the water went down the Yorkshire Tourist Board has been at great pains to publicise the fact that York is open for business.

THE PUBS

1. Punch Bowl (Wetherspoons) 5-9 Blossom Street York, YO24 1AU. Tel 01904 666740. Opens 07.00

Just adjacent to Micklegate Bar. Follow the City Wall south from the station. Formerly a butcher's shop and a pharmacy

JB Times ----until 10.45

Turn right outside Spoons and through the arch down Micklegate cross the River Ouse, up High Ousegate, and the Pavement and left into Colliergate to, on the right hand side:-

2. The Last Drop Inn,27 Colliergate YO1 8BN, 01904 621 951

York Brewery Pub. No nonsense pub which has no juke boxes or children

JB Times----11.00-11.30

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Come out of the Last Drop Inn, cross the road and round the corner in King's Square is:-

3. The Duke of York King's Square, YO1 8BH, Opens 11.00. Tel. 01904 676 065 Newly opened Leeds Brewery pub. Full range of Leeds beers plus four local micro brewery ales. Reasonably priced food menu.

JB Times---11.31-12.10

Out of the pub turn left into Kings' Court, right into Newgate and right into Patrick Pool on the left hand side you will find the half-timbered:-

4. Pivni 6 Patrick Pool, YO1 8BB. Tel 01904 635 464

Another new venue, though the building stretches back to 1190. Locally sourced artisan pork pies and cheeseboards. A long narrow bar, with craft and real ale.

JB Times ---12.15-12.40

Out of the pub turn left then right into Church Street continue into Goodramgate on your left will be found:-

5. The Old White Swan, 80 Goodramgate, YO1 3LF Opens 10.00 Tel 01904 540911 Nicholsons pub-so we will get a discount on the Nicholson APP

JB Times 12.45-13.30

A good place for those requiring lunch. York being a World famous tourist attraction is not cheap by Yorkshire standards!

Turn right back into Goodramgate then right into Low Petergate and take the second left into Stonegate. On the right hand side you will find :-:-

6. The House of Trembling Madness, 48 Stonegate, YO1 8AS Tel 01904 640 009 Ancient building nearly 1,000 years old. One of the largest bottled beer off licences in Yorkshire on the ground floor. Medieval drinking hall upstairs, with lighted candles. Three cask beers and does hot food all day.

This was very busy on the recce. The bar is upstairs, and was full of people eating. However it was the last week of school holidays plus the students have not yet returned to uni, so lots of families and youngsters. But worth seeing, so I will check it out on the day and if too busy we will omit it. Food looked good and plenty of it.

JB Times 13.35-14.00

Turn right out of the pub down Stonegate to St. Helens Square, right into Lendel, left at the end into Museum St., and cross Lendel Bridge, into Station Road and past Hudson Huse, through the City Wall back to the Station.

On the way you may want to drop into the Maltings on the left

Optional or if no 6 too crowded-7. The Maltings, Tanners Moat, YO1 6HU. Opens 11.00. Tel 01904 655 387.

Mainly microbrewery ales sourced locally

JB Times 14.10-???

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8. Finally there is the York Tap on Platform 3 in the Station

If your train is late or even if it is not. A fine selection of up to 18 mostly local ales. Former Victorian tea rooms.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Kings Cross Dep	08.00	08.30	
York Arr	09.50	10.32	
Man Picc Dep	08.26	08.57	
York Arr	09.40	10.12	
York Dep	13.57	14.02	14.31
Kings Cross Arr	15.51	16.25	16.43
York Dep	13.53	14.24	14.41
Man Picc Arr	15.13	15.44	16.05
Derby Dep	08.13	08.44	
York Arr	09.48	10.32	
York Dep	13.35	13.45	
Derby Arr	14.53	15.28	